

GOVERNMENT OF TALANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Forest Conservation Act – Proposal for Diversion of 4.80 Ha of forest land in Compt.No.611 & 612 of Jakaram-III Reserve Forest, Bhupalapalli North Range of Warangal North Division, (Warangal District) for Mining Lease for Laterite, in favour of M/s. Ganapathi Minerals, Prop. A. Indra Reddy – Final (stage-II) approval – Accorded.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 33

Dated: 19-09-2017  
Read the following:-

1. From PCCF, A.P, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.28290/2012/F2,  
Dated:20.12.2013.
2. Govt. Letter No.10369/For.I (1)/2013, EFS&T (For.I) Dept.  
Dt.05.02.2014.
3. From Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai F.No.4-APB1004/2014-BAN/174, Dt.08.01.2015.
4. From PCCF, T.S., Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.28290/2012/FCA2,  
Dated:24.07.2017.
5. Govt. Letter No.10369/For.I (1)/2013, EFS&T (For.I) Dept.,  
Dated:01.08.2017.
6. From Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai F.No.4-APB1004/2014-BAN/1318, Dt:22.08.2017.

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In his letter 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), A.P., Hyderabad has furnished a proposal for diversion of 4.80 Ha of forest land in Compt.No.611 & 612 of Jakaram-III Reserve Forest, Bhupalapalli North Range of Warangal North Division, (Warangal District) for Mining Lease for Laterite, in favour of M/s. Ganapathi Minerals, Prop. A. Indra Reddy.

2. In their letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Ministry of Environment & Forests GoI have granted in-principle (Stage-I) approval for the proposal forwarded vide letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated thereof.

3. In the letter 5<sup>th</sup> read above, Government of Telangana have sent the report of compliance on the conditions stipulated by GoI, as submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad in his letter 4<sup>th</sup> read above, to the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Chennai for according necessary approval.

4. In their letter 6<sup>th</sup> read above, the Central Government have granted final approval for the proposal in para 1 above, under Section 2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated therein.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for diversion of 4.80 Ha of forest land in Compt.No.611 & 612 of Jakaram-III Reserve Forest, Bhupalapalli North Range of Warangal North Division, (Warangal District) for Mining Lease for Laterite, in favour of M/s. Ganapathi Minerals, Prop. A. Indra Reddy under section-2 of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

- i. The legal status of the forest land remain unchanged.

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- ii. The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting four feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.
- iii. The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over the identified 5.06 ha of land in Sy.No.20 & 21 of Thikkalpally Village of Bejjur Mandal and Range of Kagaznagar Forest Division at the cost of the user agency.
- iv. Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- v. Non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant section of the local Forest Act as the case may be, to this office for information and record;
- vi. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.
- vii. The State Government shall maintain area upto 7.5 meters as safety zone area all along the boundary of the lease area as per the guidelines issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The State Government shall also raise and maintain the plantation over an area, one and half times of the extent of the safety zone in degraded forest land elsewhere as the project cost.
- viii. User agency shall dump the overburden in the identified non-forest land and the overburden shall be filled back to reclaim the mined out areas.
- ix. The State Forest Department shall carry out Wildlife safety measures, Afforestation and SMC works as suggested by the DFO in the proposed area as well as adjoining forest area from the amount which has already been deposited by the user agency.
- x. The State Forest Department shall carry out special fire protection measures in the adjoining forest area and promotion of agro-forestry in the adjoining non-forest areas every year from the amount which has already been deposited by the user agency.
- xi. Mining as well as transportation shall be restricted to day-time only.
- xii. User Agency shall obtain environmental clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.
- xiii. Mining shall be done as per the approved mining plan from the competent authority.
- xiv. Soil conservation measures shall be taken up at the cost of User Agency.

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- xv. The forest area shall be used for the purpose of mining and approach road only. No permanent buildings or labour sheds should be constructed in the leased area.
  - xvi. Concurrent progressive Reclamation followed by afforestation and maintenance with suitable species in consultation with DFO shall be taken up the User Agency.
  - xvii. The consent of State Pollution Control Board shall be obtained under Air and Water Act before commencement of mining operation.
  - xviii. A comprehensive monitoring shall be done at the end of five years to study the impact of mining. If it is found that the lessee has violated or is not complying with the stipulated conditions, then the approval given under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be revoked.
  - xix. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.80 ha. In case the land is not taken over by User Agency or the same is not used for the stipulate purpose within a period of two years from the date of Stage-II clearance, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.
  - xx. The Period of diversion of the said forest land under this approval shall be for a period of 10 years or co-terminus with the period of the mining lease proposed to be granted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) amendment Act, 2015, or Rules framed there under whichever is earlier.
  - xxi. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency or Department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
  - xxii. The User Agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the Regional Office of the Ministry and to the State Government;
  - xxiii. Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area shall be complied by the user agency.
  - xxiv. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

DR. RAJAT KUMAR  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Telangana State, Hyderabad.

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**Copy to:**

M/s. Ganapathi Minerals, Prop. A. Indra Reddy (User Agency.)

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SECTION OFFICER